

REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication: Lesbian Teens: Teenworld 60

Other Known Title: Lesbian Teens: Seventeen Teen World 60

Format: Magazine

Director/Author: Not Applicable

Producer/Publisher: Seventeen

Country of Origin: The Netherlands

Language: Dutch, English, German, French

Applicant: Secretary for Internal Affairs

Distributor: Not Applicable

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Descriptive Note: Not Applicable

Display Conditions: Not Applicable

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Date of direction to issue a label: Not Applicable

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Excisions: Not Applicable

Reasons for excisions:

Not Applicable

**Summary of reasons
for classification:**

The magazine *Lesbian Teens: Teenworld* 60 is classified as:
Objectionable.

The publication promotes and supports the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes. The publication explicitly depicts very young teenage girls engaged in sexual activity. All aspects of the publication are contrived to advertise the youthfulness of the girls depicted, expressly associating the trappings of childhood with sexual activity. The presentation of very young teenage girls in this manner legitimises an arousal response in adult men to persons who are not appropriate sexual partners. The publication promotes the notion that young teenage girls are sexually experienced and available for adult sexual connection.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, as set out in section 14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. This outcome is consistent, however, with Parliament's intention that publications falling under section 3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes.